

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Pee Dee Elementary

Horry

Grades: PK-5 **Enrollment: 700**

Principal: Cheryl Banks

Superintendent: Dr. Cynthia Elsberry

Board Chair: Joe DeFeo

PERFORMANCE

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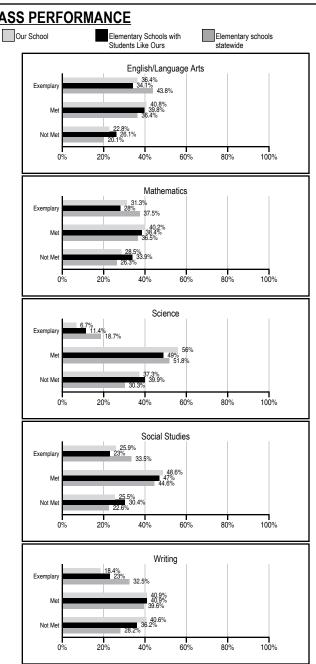
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2013	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	С	N/A
2012	Average	Good	Silver	N/A	Α	Reward
2011	Average	Good	Silver	N/A	Not Met	RP

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
9	12	95	19	5

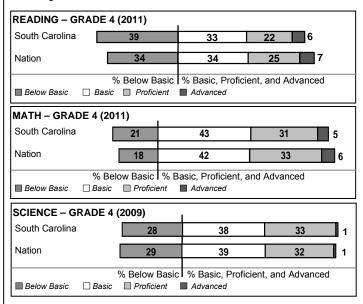
^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2013. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PASS PERFORMANCE



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

Pee Dee Elementary [Horry] **SCHOOL PROFILE**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=700)				
Retention rate	0.4%	Up from 0.0%	1.1%	0.9%
Attendance rate	95.0%	Down from 95.5%	96.0%	96.3%
Served by gifted and talented program	5.2%	N/A	4.3%	7.2%
With disabilities	11.2%	N/A	13.8%	12.4%
Older than usual for grade	1.3%	N/A	2.6%	1.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.6%	Down from 2.6%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=50)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	44.0%	Down from 49.0%	60.3%	62.5%
Continuing contract teachers	80.0%	Down from 89.8%	81.6%	83.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.9%	Down from 90.2%	86.6%	88.3%
Teacher attendance rate	94.5%	Up from 94.1%	94.7%	95.0%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,889	Down 1.3%	\$47,225	\$48,193
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.4%	Down from 0.9%	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	28.9 days	Up from 24.7 days	11.2 days	11.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	7.0	Up from 6.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	11.5 to 1	Down from 20.0 to 1	19.4 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.0%	Up from 85.6%	89.5%	90.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 96.5%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$9,829	Up 9.6%	\$7,645	\$7,364
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	68.0%	Up from 66.5%	68.0%	68.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	60.0%	No Change	65.0%	66.0%
ESEA composite index score Length of contract = 185+ days.	72.9	Down from 91.6	79.0	88.0

Length of contract = 185+ days.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	41	107	80
Percent satisfied with learning environment	73.2%	91.6%	85.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	88.7%	88.7%	90.1%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	86.4%	90.6%	74.3%

^{*}Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Believe, Encourage and Empower! We promoted this slogan throughout our school showing how we want our children to B.E.E. the best that they can "bee". Pee Dee Elementary received recognition from the SC Education Oversight Committee as a Title I Reward School, one of the highest performing Title I schools with an A rating meaning that the school substantially exceeded the state's expectations. Our Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) recognition from the SC Department of Education was at Ribbon status for the quality of work in supporting a climate that leads to student success. Our anti-bullying policies were known to all students, parents and staff members providing support for right choices while recognizing, refusing and reporting any wrong choices with behavior. The Pee Dee Elementary chorus received an Excellent rating at the Carowinds music festival. Two 5th graders were selected to participate in the state's honors choir. 4th and 5th graders each had their own laptop. iPad carts were available for use with classroom instruction. Our inaugural Robotics Team received 1st place in robot design as they launched this opportunity in our school. Kiwanis Kids and Student Council provided leadership opportunities for our students while supporting our student body with peer mentoring, teacher help and playground equipment. Our Live Hive news included daily updates as well as PSA's on a variety of topics from our 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders. These exemplary students broadcasts began our school days. Volunteers continued to play an important role within the school with more involvement than ever. PTO led the way with raising over \$10,000 to help support our traditional ballroom dancing with our 5th grade, campus beautification, staff appreciation and sponsoring additional technological opportunities within our school. Benevolence activities supported children in need and reached out most notably in providing over 100 children with items for the holidays. Our Giving Tree helped many. We continued to grow in enrollment throughout the year topping out with 790 students. Our fresh fruits and fresh vegetable grant inspired our own garden on the campus and encouraged more of these healthy servings daily. Buzzpower supported after school tutoring and enrichment activities for 135 of our students. Goal setting using MAP information along with providing interventions specific to students' needs promoted a significant reduction in the number of students needing intensive support. Students gathered their own successes within a Data Hive. Events such as Math Camp and incentives for reaching growth targets empowered students to achieve more than ever before. Our School Improvement Council launched our first Reading Camp involving community members to show students the importance of reading in a variety of careers. Our Truck Career day also featured our community and workplaces as part of our college and career readiness focus. The Conway community met throughout the year to establish a foundation of direction to include: Technology, Leadership and College/Career Readiness. Eight schools = one community is a winning formula for all the students at Pee Dee Elementary. PDE celebrated its 10th anniversary on our present campus and added a memorial marker for Amanda Sessions, former principal of 10 years who began the theme of the bees and was the original Queen Bee. Continuing with many traditions, navigating this 21st century and honoring a long standing legacy in the Conway community: Pee Dee Elementary is a great place to B.E.E.!

Ryan Peduzzi, Chairperson, School Improvement Council Cheryl Banks, Principal

^{**} Prior year audited financial data available.